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Emir, Abd El Aziz Ibn Rashid, whom the Turks regarded as their ally. Ibn Rashid was beaten and called for Turkish aid in November 1904. Achmet Faizi Pasha set out from Meshed Ali with ten battalions of Turkish soldiers. Marching over hundreds of miles of desert he reached Hail and repelled the Wahabis, and was negotiating with their chief when the news reached him of the fall of San'a. Undaunted by heat and fatigue the old general marched over the desert to Medina, and by the end of May had reached Mecca, having crossed the Arabian peninsula with slight loss. From Mecca he marched to Jeddah, took ship to Hodeida and during June and July organised the column which was to retake San'a. In the middle of August the troops advanced and at the beginning of September the Ottoman forces re-entered San'a. The Arabs were unable to face the attacks of disciplined troops and when, in November 1905 the Imam had retired into the most inaccessible mountains of the Sada district, the rebellion seemed at an end. But neither Achmet Faizi Pasha nor the Imam nor any foreign observer had counted upon the apathy and mismanagement of the Turkish War Office. The troops, unpaid and ill fed, provided with clothes and medical comforts began to grow exhausted. The time-expired men were replaced by unwilling recruits from Syria and Kurdistan who were marched in chains from their villages to the depots, and deserted whenever possible. The ammunition supplies were not replenished and Faizi Pasha's appeals for reinforcements were met by the dispatch of criminals, gaoled, recaptured deserters, pressed-men of middle age, and boys who had not been called for military service. What wonder that even the obduracy of Turkish troops gave way before the constant evidence of callous neglect and criminal want of foresight. Every fever stricken soldier who returned to the Asiatic ports of the Ottoman Empire, every sick man who survived the horrors of the passage from Hodeida to Suez helped to terrify the Syrians and Anatolians with his tales of the miseries of the campaign. Every such witness drove the Beddis called out for service in Yemen to a frenzy of terror, and every transport bound to Hodeida lost men from desertion in the Suez Canal. But the advisers of the Sultan could not, or would not, tell the Pasha that the mere despatch of soldiers without uniforms and rife without ammunition to San'a was useless; that against a mobile enemy a mobile well trained force thoroughly supplied with every essential for a tropical guerrilla campaign was every needed, and that soldiers even Turkish soldiers, require food and appropriate good treatment. Matters grew worse and worse, the wastage on the supply of reinforcements, and to-day Faizi Pasha with a dispirited and decimated force stands in grave danger of utter defeat.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Cattle Plague. The Fayoum and Sharkieh provinces have been pronounced infected by cattle plague.

Sinai Peninsula. The Government has sanctioned a credit of L.E. 1,000 for the making of wells for the water supply of the Sinai Peninsula.

The Plague. A fresh case of plague has been reported from Mallawi during the last 24 hours. A recovery at Deirout, three deaths are reported from Eneih in hospital, a fresh case is reported from Abouhand and two recoveries at Beni Mazar.

Threat Against Patriarch. On Wednesday a Bulgarian book-binder was arrested by the police, and a copy of the Russian Consulate, on suspicion of having been concerned in the threatening letters sent to the Greek Patriarch of Alexandria. He was, however, set at liberty after examination.

Fire at Khartoum. Mr. Angelo Capato, who arrived yesterday morning from Khartoum, received a telegram in the evening from his manager at Port Sudan informing him that the whole block of buildings in which his stores are situated had been destroyed totally by fire. The total loss is about £20,000.

Land in New York. Owing to the interest that is being taken in the price of town lands in Egypt, it may be interesting to notice that a corner plot of land situated at the junction of Fifth Avenue and Thirty-eight street in New York, measuring 25 ft. by 100 ft. has recently been sold for \$140,000. This is equal to £56 per square foot or £504 per square yard. This price is a record one even for Fifth Avenue.

Births and Deaths. During the week ending 10th June there were 471 births in the capital of which 10 were Europeans. The deaths numbered 759 of which 20 were Europeans of the Europeans there were 9 adults and of the remaining deaths there was the large percentage of 11 European children under five years of age. A small proportion of deaths were due to diphtheria and typhoid; measles has contributed a large number to the death roll, the balance being due to small-pox and erysipilis.

BULLETIN DE LA BOURSE

Aujourd'hui à 11 h. 1/2. Le flechissement s'accroît pour la plupart des valeurs traitées. Quant aux transactions, elles se limitent comme auparavant à l'Agence qui s'inscrit à 7 7/16, en baisse de 3/16 sur le prix d'hier. Sur le National Bank la dépression est énorme. De 21 1/8 le cours tombe sans transition à 19 1/16.

Les Banques du Caire s'inscrivent à 112 les actions et 200 les jouissances, soit pour ces dernières un nouveau recul de 5 francs. De 115 l'ancienne et 114 la nouvelle, le Cassa di Sconto flechit encore à 105 et 104 respectivement.

En baisse également le Delta Land à 1 7/8, la Khedivial Mail à 4 1/8, l'Urbaïne à 4 7/8, le Comptoir à 3 1/4 l'ancienne et 3 1/8 la nouvelle, le Building Lands à 2 1/2, le Crédit Franco-Egyptien à 4 1/2, l'Unité à 7/16, et les Riva à 5/8, et l'Artiti à 1/4.

Le corbillon d'ailleurs présenté beaucoup d'anxiété, surtout à l'ouverture. Mais, ainsi que nous l'avons dit, les affaires ayant été presque nulles, excepté en Agricole, les cours sont donc la plupart nominaux.

CASINO SAN STEFANO.

Attiré par un superbe programme, une assistance aussi nombreuse que choisie emplit dès 9 h. la salle des fêtes du Casino, à l'occasion du 3me Concert Serato; le succès ne le cède en rien à ceux des précédents concerts et les bravos et applaudissements se font entendre nourris et prolongés après chaque des exécutions; particulièrement applaudie fut l'ouverture d'Euryante superbement jouée par l'orchestre Brucala. La température, malheureusement, n'était pas des plus favorables, et, y l'humidité persistante, à laquelle les cordes de son instrument ne pouvaient plus résister, le Maître se vit obligé de supprimer du programme le concert de Max Bruch. Espérons une température plus clémente pour le prochain concert.

Dimanche à 11 h. 2me grand concert classique; au programme la 5me symphonie de Beethoven et la Esposizione di Liszt. Demain soir grand bal d'ouverture du San Stefano Club.

CINEMATOGRAHE URBARONÀ. Parfois tragique, souvent comique, mais toujours moral, l'Urbanora est la sytétisè de la vie. Sa devise si connue "We put the world before you" (Nous plaçons le monde devant vous) n'a jamais été plus vraie: chaque semaine figure sur le programme une vie d'après nature faisant défilé devant les spectateurs soit un panorama, soit un événement sensationnel, soit tout autre acte en tranchée de la vie qui ne serait pas donné à tout le monde de voir. Ainsi, les spectacles de l'Urbanora, au lieu d'être réservés exclusivement aux enfants, sont devenus non seulement amusants et intéressants pour tous, mais instructifs, ce qui ne gêne rien, loin de là.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

LONDON EXCHANGE ACTIVE.

CONFIDENCE IN RECOVERY.

(Gazette Special Service.) LONDON, Friday. The fall in value of really good Egyptian shares is attracting the attention of the London brokers, whose clients are buying steadily, being confident that the situation will improve. When the forest liquidation ceases a rebound is anticipated all round.

THE KHEDIVÉ.

The Khedive, attended by the Governor, was present at midday prayers to-day at the Nebi Daniel Mosque.

BRITISH LABOURERS FOR QUEENSLAND.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) Port Said, Thursday. The Orient liner "Omrah" which arrived here this morning, had on board the first contingent of British labourers for the Queensland sugar fields. The labourers are to take the place of the Kanaka or South Sea Island labourers, who have recently been repatriated under an act of the Australian Commonwealth, passed in pursuance of the White Australia policy. To fill the vacancies the Queensland Government have been offering free passages to Australia and a guarantee of work. In response to this offer many men of a good class have come forward, and those who passed on the Omrah numbered 150 excluding their families.

CORPORATION OF WESTERN EGYPT.

The final consignment of rails for use in the construction of the Western Oases Railway has been shipped by the Corporation of Western Egypt, Limited. Orders have been placed for passenger rolling stock, and delivery is guaranteed in good time.

THE LECHAT GANEM CASE.

Mr. Chekri Ganem having challenged Mr. Derroja, Editor of the "Bourse Egyptienne", to withdraw an article which appeared in that paper in connection with the assault committed on him by M. Lechat or to fight a duel with him, M. Derroja refused to withdraw the article in question and accepted the challenge. A duel was arranged which was fought with pistols yesterday at 4.30 p.m. Four rounds were fired but neither party was hit. The seconds of M. Ganem were Captain L. Bourdier and M. Georges Vayssié. Those of Mr. Derroja were Messrs. J. Verdier and R. Colrat.

NEW WORK BY PROFESSOR PETRIE.

It is announced that a new work by Professor Flinders Petrie will shortly be published by Messrs. Constable. This will be entitled "Jans in Modern Life" and is a development in some measure of his recent Huxley Lecture. It deals with questions of race and immigration, communism, philanthropy, and individualism in relation to historical philosophy, from a thoroughly modern point of view.

ALEXANDRIA SWIMMING CLUB.

The fifth season of the Alexandria Swimming Club will be opened to-morrow, when the terms of members will be taken and a polo match will be played against a team from H.M.S. "Diana", which is still in harbour. The club boat will leave the Marina for Ras el Tin lighthouse every Saturday at 3.15 p.m. Members will be glad to learn that a comfortable dressing room has been fitted up. The prospects of the club, which improve year by year, thanks to the energy of the committee in general, and Mr. W. F. Sargeant, Chairman, and Mr. H. S. Martin, Secretary, in particular, and the support which they receive from the yearly increasing number of members, are more brilliant than ever, and we can anticipate a highly successful season. The committee have issued a circular informing the members of the opening of the season to-morrow, and inviting members to bring their friends, expressing the hope that they will turn up in good force.

THE EGYPTIAN ARMY.

SALARIES OF OFFICERS.

The native officers of the Egyptian Army have sent a petition to the Sirdar for the following modifications in pay: Melazim Tuni L.E. 8 instead of L.E. 5; Melazim Awal " 9 " " " 6; Youshahi " 12 " " " 9; Soghlagani " 20 " " " 15; Bimbashi " 35 " " " 25; Kaimakani " 50 " " " 35; Miral " 60 " " " 45. The Sirdar has referred the matter to a special committee, which will be presided over by the Commandant of the 1st Battalion.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Moss liner Menepthah arrived yesterday evening from Liverpool, via Gibraltar, Algiers, and Malta, with passengers, mails, and general cargo.

EGYPTIACA.

SOME NEW PAPYRI.

By JOSEPH OFFORD.

The evidence afforded by papyri as to Roman law will soon exceed in value all the remains of the ancient jurists extant, because those documents preserve absolute record of the working of the legal enactments in daily life.

Evidence relating to the status of slaves under the Roman dominion in Egypt has been given in "Aspyllus" and now references will be made to another papyrus, hitherto from the Fayoum which has been edited by Sir P. Mannde Thompson for the "Society of Antiquaries" which illustrates the subject.

This document concerns the sale of a slave to one Caius Fabullius Macer, an optio upon the Trireme Lagris, a galley of the Misennum fleet, by Quintus Julius Priscus, a marine, or soldier upon the same vessel. The slave was only 7 years old and is named Transmanianus which title as the transaction occurred at Seleucia Pieria upon the Syrian coast, probably refers to the river Euphrates, at the time the eastern boundary of the Roman Empire.

The youth's name was Abbas Eytache, and the price of his transfer was 200 denarii, plus the amount due as tax upon the import of a slave. The deed is dated May 24 A.D. 166.

The legal formulae of its contents are interesting to jurists and students of Egyptian history, but it is important in comparing it with other similar records to note that the purchaser of the slave stipulated for the repayment of the sum disbursed in the event of a successful claim for restitution of the slave to some prior owner without notice of action for recovery having taken place, being necessary.

A sub-officer of the Trireme appears as witness to the signatures named C. Julius Titianus. It may be that it is to this personage we owe the presence of the papyrus in Egypt and its consequent preservation because the Prefect of that country for the year 164-166 A.D. was Titus Flavius Titianus who may have been a near relative of C.J. Titianus. The statement that in addition to the value of the slave the duty must be paid, (doubtless because the boy was just imported) remind one of the long list of import duties found at Coptos by Dr. Flinders Petrie which together with the lengthy inscription known as "The Tariff of Palmyra form our chief authorities for the "Donane" of the Romans.

This is not the only Egyptian papyrus concerned with sailors in the celebrated Misennum fleet, whose naval base was just north of Naples, for among the hundreds of Oxyrhynchus papyri is one containing a letter from a young marine from Egypt who had just been conscripted in this fleet. The text which is quite legible and complete shows that the young warrior was writing from Italy to his father in Egypt.

"Apion to Epeachus, his father a lord; a thousand times salutation. Before all I trust that you are well, and be you happy, you and my sister, her daughter and my brother. I give thanks to the lord Sarapis that I am preserved from the dangers of the voyage. Upon reaching Misennum I have received for the expenses of the road, from the Emperor, 3 gold pieces, and I am going on well. I pray you to write me a few lines, first to tell me of your health, second as to that of my brother and sister, thirdly because I adore thy hand, because you so well educated me that it will soon procure me promotion; I hope if the gods permit."

"Embrace vigorously Captain, my brother, and my sister; and Serenilla; and my friends. My name (his new one as a sailor) is Antonius Maximus. I wish you good health. The century of Athenaeus."

"It appears probable that the inditing of this letter, which is a most interesting specimen of the similarity of human life many centuries ago."

OSTRICH FEATHER SALES.

These sales were held in London last week. They comprised 3,475 cases Cape and 176 cases Egyptian, of which about 3,240 cases Cape and 160 cases Egyptian sold.

The weight of feathers offered was 68,400 lb against 77,500 lb in April last.

There was a good competition throughout the sales, the demand being general.

The quantity catalogued was not so large as at the previous auctions.

The Egyptian cases met with good competition, and realised £3,680.

PRICES CURRENT.

White prices and blood, superior cut or light quills 22s to 24s, 1sts 14s to 24s, 2nds 9s to 20s, 3rds 6s to 12s, broken and tapers 7s to 20s, stally and inferior 3s to 10s; white femina tipped 4s to 25s; femina, light 1sts good to fine 10s to 20s, 2nds 5s to 12s, dark ordinary to good 2s to 10s, 3rds or defective 4s to 12s, brocks 7s to 15s (white 14s to 17s); black, long and medium 5s to 9s, medium 4s to 8s, medium and short 10s to 20s; inferior or very short 2s to 4s; drab, long and medium 2s to 6s, medium good to fine 20s to 55s, ditto ordinary 9s to 20s, medium and short 6s to 10s, ditto inferior or very short 1s to 5s; black, black and drab medium 15s to 47s 6d, black and drab medium and short 7s 6d to 12s 6d; spandons, white and light 40s to 16s, femina 20s to 45s, drab 2s 6d to 25s; Boon, white 30s to 40s (one lot 61 15s), light 90s to 95s, femina 25s to 55s, ditto black built 2s to 32s 6d, femina and drab 5s to 20s.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play, to print—within certain necessary limitations—those which are of interest to our readers.

GERMAN TRAMP NUISANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE"

Sir.—My trips to Cairo, Tanta, etc. have brought me too frequently into unpleasant contact with many German tramps. They may be 100 in Cairo alone. They are lazy, useless rascals, apparently belonging to some begging organization. By their sudden boldness and threats in dark or lonely places they terrify ladies and youths, and are a source of real danger. Since tourists departed, many have invaded Alexandria and other cities of Egypt. I have witnessed 7 of them together at 8 o'clock at night, menacing violence to some given opportunity as per the highway robbery on the new promenade reported not long since in your paper.

To-day was the third time in a week that I was accosted by the scoundrels. I was at lunch when he shuffled up, a young well fed fellow and began his usual tale of woe—"long walk from Port Said" and so on, I promptly told him to vanish, and mistaking me for an Englishman he at once opened a torrent of abuse about the British flag and what loyal Germans would do with it, etc. Waiters interposed uselessly till "The Englishman" (I am worse as I come from Connanght) moved from his table and about fructured his jaw, thus suddenly stopping all reference to flags of any sort.

In a moment he picked himself up and disappeared, giving as all a rest. The question is how long are the German authorities going to permit this sort of organization to annoy, harass and insult us. It has lasted quite long enough, and places one between the devil and deep sea, as the British Consul says never to take the law into your own hands, so I don't see how one is expected to travel a couple of miles any time to report to the insulting conduct of a tramp, and lawfully claim double protection and "share where" the satisfaction at all, at all if the Kaiser's sovereign subject set down in my absence and finished my dinner!

Having an extensive and intimate German acquaintanceship in Egypt I am perfectly certain I but voice the wishes of every lady and gentleman of this nationality, who will coincide in wishing their too numerous local scoundrel companions well beyond the boundaries of much abused Egypt.

I am, Sir, C. W. A. N. Shilligh Castle, Alexandria, June 13th 1907.

POLICE DOG SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE"

Dear Sir,—I should like, Mr. Editor, to tell your readers who own dogs to keep them in iron or as nearly so as possible. The police it appears, in what passes for wisdom at the Government, have passed a resolution that dogs without muzzles must suffer the last penalty of the law. The poor man in the street (i.e. shawish) was instructed to remember the traditions of his race and do his duty. As a matter of fact he did not do such thing at all. He was probably afraid of the dogs he was supposed to catch. At any rate a special force of our valiant police was told off for the purpose of cornering anything in the likeness of a dog. Discretion of course had no place in their instructions. For the information of strangers in the country it should be stated that the Egyptian shawish is so naturally discreet (especially when it is a choice of valour) that his superiors scarcely ever find it necessary to warn him not to be too zealous in the execution of his duty. Dogs, all and sundry, in the unmuzzled state must die the death. Now, Mr. Editor, I have a dog, a small dog—a miniature in fact. He (or she rather) is so very small that it is quite impossible to find a muzzle in the whole of Egypt to fit her tiny head. Of a morning I take her out for a short airing, and she follows docilely at my heels. This morning I followed my usual habit, and was on the point of re-entering my own door, when, turning, I saw a person wearing no uniform strike my microscopic pup around the horns with a kourbash that would have done for me. I, of course, in the special force) came up and explained the situation. The explanation being in Arabic, I could not understand one word. At any rate in spite of my protest, the proximity to my own doorway, and the manifest harmlessness of the dog, she was placed in a wagon specially constructed for small dogs, and taken to a place which I subsequently found labelled, in either delicate iron, "Infirmary: Prevention of Cruelty to Animals." Later I visited the Government, was received with courtesy, told my little story, waited two whole hours, saw a native clerk upon demand a minute and then I should probably have no difficulty in getting back my dog. As a matter of fact within three or four hours of reaching the Government I found myself in possession of something like the Arabic and was directed vaguely to take the paper to Boulac. Before receiving this paper I had signed several formidable looking documents, and in a half dozen ways was wondering whether I had come to be tried for my life or simply to obtain permission to withdraw a small pup from confinement. Well, Mr. Editor, I went to Boulac, and in the course of my visit to this delectable district of

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TELEGRAMS.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

JAPANESE PRESS WARNED.

TOKYO, June 13. The Press has been officially advised to abstain from the publication of inflammatory matter regarding the American question. (R.)

THE RIGA MUTINY.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 13. Eight political prisoners have been shot for participation in the Riga mutiny of 14th April. (Reuter)

VISIT FROM ABYSSINIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 13. The Tsar has received an envoy from Menelik, from whom he has accepted presents. (R.)

MANCHURIAN RAILWAYS.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 13. The Russo-Japanese agreement regarding the working of Chinese on Eastern and South Manchurian railways has been signed. (Reuter)

THE CHINESE RISING.

HONG KONG, June 13. Insurgents attacked the village of Yung-chang, in the Prefecture of Wai-chow, and burnt the military rations and salt stores. The provincial force pursued and engaged the rebels. (Reuter)

FRANCE AND JAPAN.

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

PARIS, June 13. M. Pichou announced that it has been proposed by Japan that a simultaneous publication in Paris and Tokio of the Franco-Japanese agreement should take place on Monday. (Reuter)

THE MADRID OUTRAGE.

MADRID, June 13. The trial of those implicated in the plot to assassinate the King and Queen on their wedding day has been concluded. The journalist Nakano, who assisted Moral to leave Madrid, and two others have been sentenced to 9 years imprisonment. The rest have been acquitted. (Reuter)

WINE-GROWING TROUBLE.

PARIS, June 13. 80 more municipalities resigned yesterday evening. NARMEONE, June 13. General Piquart has ordered an enquiry into the mutiny of soldiers of 100th line, who refused to oppose the wine-growers. (Havas)

SALAR-ED-DOWLEH.

THEBES, June 13. Salar-el-Dowleh has fled towards Mendeli, the residence of his father-in-law. The loyalists are in hot pursuit. (Reuter)

DANISH ROYALTY.

PARIS, June 13. Messrs. Pallières, Clemenceau, and Thompson have left for Cherbourg to meet the Danish Sovereigns. (Havas)

THE RUSSIAN CABINET.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 13. The "Novoi Vremia" contradicts the rumour of a change of Cabinet. (Havas)

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 13. The Foreign Minister, M. Isvolsky speaking before the Budget Committee, said that the treaty of Portsmouth was regarded originally as a temporary truce, but that view was now changed. He had a firm belief in the stability of the peaceful relations existing between Russia and Japan. (Reuter)

PORTE'S FINANCIAL TROUBLES.

RAISING FUNDS BY MORTGAGING REVENUES.

The Constantinople correspondent of the "Times" sends to that journal an interesting communication describing the embarrassed financial position of Turkey at the present time. Though their failure may already be predicted, the negotiations between the Porte and the Deutsche Orient Bank for an advance of £7,500,000 have, he says, been interesting from more than one point of view. The money is needed to pay Krupp for guns and munitions furnished by them to the Turkish Government, and will be repaid out of the revenues of the military armaments fund. As the fund is comparatively well administered the security is sound enough; the Deutsche Orient Bank is naturally anxious to complete the transaction, which will bring it 7 per cent. interest on the capital advanced.

The Government, which for many years past has not been in such desperate straits for money as it is at present, is equally eager. The difficulties in the way are due to the opposition of the Ottoman Bank and the Deutsche Bank, which, working together, have hitherto enjoyed a practical monopoly of loans and advances to the Porte. These two establishments are so influential both at the Palace and at the Porte that, although it is to the obvious interest of the State to break down their monopoly, the attempt is foredoomed to failure. It is worth noting that their co-operation does not seem to be so close as it once was. After the agreement of May, 1899, they worked most cordially together, especially with regard to the railways, and they participated on equal terms, taking each 35 per cent. of the shares in the Baghdad Railway enterprise, which promised them a rich reward in the shape of profits on construction, loans and the excess of the kilometre guarantees over working expenses. During the winter of 1904-5 they had a serious quarrel, arising out of the competition of French manufacturers with Krupp for the supply of guns to the Turkish army. It was, however, the Turks who paid the damage in the shape of heavy charges for unnecessary loans and for kilometre guarantees on needless railway lines, and it is, therefore, doubtful whether the quarrel caused any real estrangement between the banks.

But the Ottoman Bank has recently ceased to take the same interest as formerly in the Baghdad Railway, whether in deference to the uncompromising attitude of the French Government, or because it recognizes that the finances of Turkey are in no position to stand the strain which would be imposed upon them by the continuation of the line on the exorbitant terms laid down in the convention. A few weeks ago, on the failure of the negotiations for a loan of £7,200,000 to be guaranteed on the receipts of the Lighthouse Company, it advanced £2,200,000 to the Porte, to be repaid out of the Government's share of the excess of the revenues ceded to the Public Debt by the decree of Muharrem. This excess is now set-marked up to July, 1910; and the action of the Ottoman Bank has greatly annoyed the Germans who look to this revenue to finance the Baghdad Railway. As soon as the transaction became known the German Ambassador protested against it to the Sultan, and the Grand Vizier was attacked in the German Press for his share in it. The purchase of the Constantinople Quay shares by the Ottoman Bank and the Bank of England can hardly have been more agreeable to the German financiers.

Another significant point is the readiness which the Turkish Government has again displayed to raise ready money by mortgaging its revenues. The extent to which this has been carried is one of the most potent causes of the present embarrassed state of the Treasury. So large a proportion of the Government's income is pledged for the repayment of loans, &c., that the remainder is utterly inadequate to carry on the ordinary administration of the country. It is, of course, always the best and most regular revenues which are alienated in this way, so that it may be said without much exaggeration that the Government now has full control only of those revenues which foreign financiers do not regard as sufficiently good security on which to lend money. If, as is hoped, the 3 per cent. Customs surtax comes into force on June 25, it will bring a much-needed relief. But, even so, the financial state of the country will remain very serious, especially as there is every reason to expect that

the harvest will be considerably below the average. This will be a double loss to the Government. It loses by the falling off in the titles, and by the increase in the amounts which it will have to pay to the railway companies in kilometre guarantees to make good the decrease in their receipts. The only people who stand to gain by a bad harvest are the shareholders of the guaranteed railways. By the kilometre guarantee system, which must be considered a standing proof of the inability of Turkish statesmen to cope with European financiers, these undertakings make the greatest profit when they do the least work. The smaller their traffic the less they spend in working expenses, while the decline in their receipts is made up by the guarantees paid by a generous, if not very intelligent, Government.

ARMY AND NAVY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

London, June 6. The Sirdar has just completed twenty one years continuous service in connection with the Egyptian Army, having been appointed to it on the last day of May, 1886, but prior to that he was attached to the Khedive's force in 1882 to 1885. When he first donned the fez, little did the young gunner dream of the brilliant and useful future in store for him.

Owing to an unexpected hitch between the naval and military authorities with respect to the transfer of Lieutenant Franklin from the post of Director of Music to the Egyptian Army to that of Director of the Royal Naval School of Music, Eastleigh, the appointment of Mr. F. Ferguson, bandmaster of the 1st King's Dragoon Guards, Hounslow, to the first named post has not yet been formally confirmed.

In September next, Captain G. M. Hannay, King's Own Scottish Borders, will complete his three years' tenure in the adjutancy of the 3rd Battalion, and will revert to regimental duty if not granted an extension in the interim.

Captain J. G. R. Walsh, Royal Berkshire Regiment, who commanded a company in the 2nd Battalion during a portion of its recent stay at Alexandria, has just been promoted Major in the 1st Battalion at Dublin, in succession to the late Major Harcourt Taylor, whose sudden death occurred lately.

Colonel R. C. C. Cox, commanding the 2nd Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers will vacate that berth early in the coming year. The step should go to Major H. O. D. Hickman, second in command of the 1st Battalion in Crete.

The following additions are to be made to the ordinary rates of the regimental daily pay of lieutenant colonels of the undermentioned arms of the service—with effect from the 1st April last—Household Cavalry, 1s; Cavalry of the Line, 3s; Royal Field Artillery, 5s; Royal Garrison Artillery, 1s 6d; Infantry of the Line, 3s; lieutenant colonel commanding a battalion of the West India Regiment, 3s; and lieutenant colonel commanding the West African Regiment, 3s. Apparently the lieutenant colonels enjoy the money saved by the wiping out of the second in command, which is another of Mr. Haldane's economies.

Lieutenant W. W. Gillan, Royal Field Artillery, has been selected for service with the King's African Rifles.

The whole of the R.G.A., Royal Engineers, and Army Service Corps are to be re-armed forthwith with the short rifle.

The Army Council has issued instructions that 13 and 18 pounder Q.F. and 60 pounder B.L. guns are not to be photographed except at distances which would prevent anything more than a general view of them being reproduced, and that persons, other than soldiers and officers of the Crown or other persons duly authorised are not to be allowed to be in the battery while practice is being carried out. Officers of foreign armies who have special permission from the War Office may be permitted to witness practice, but they will not be allowed to handle equipment, nor will information, except of a general nature, be imparted to them concerning the equipment and methods of fire discipline.

It has been the practice of recent years to arm dismounted Warrant Officers and Staff Sergeants, with a carbine, in order that, in action, they may be rendered practically indistinguishable from the rank and file. The great cost, however, which is carried on bandoleer appears to afford a ready mark of distinction, which quite nullifies the carriage of the carbine, and the Army Council is accordingly considering the advisability of abolishing the order contained in paragraph 1962, King's Regulations, that great coats should be carried on bandoleer by Warrant Officers and Staff Officers of dismounted units, and substituting a regulation that they should carry their great coats on the back, in a coat carrier.

Captain W. C. Parker, who commanded the corps Venus when she was guardship of Alexandria, has been appointed to the command of the first class armoured cruiser Antrim.

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CRICKET.

An exciting match between the Inniskilling Dragoons and the Coldstream Guards was played at Ghezreh on Wednesday resulting in a win for the Dragoons by 28 runs. Mr. Burnham played a good innings of 88—

Table showing Inniskilling Dragoons and Coldstream Guards cricket scores. Includes names like Cpl. May, Cpl. Bingham, and totals for both teams.

Table showing Polo Match scores. Includes names like Cpl. Smith, Cpl. Bingham, and totals for both teams.

PERSIAN MAHOMEDANS AND CHRISTIANITY. Sir Andrew Wingate, and afterwards Lord Kinnaird, presided at Exeter-hall last week over the annual meeting of the Bible Lands Missions Aid Society, which subsidises missions, chiefly American, in the Levant. Dr. Cohen, of Urumia, said that the American Presbyterians had been at work for 74 years, chiefly among the Nestorians, or Syrian Christians, in the hope of ultimately reaching Mahomedans through them. He believed the great battle between Christianity and Islam would be fought in Persia. The Persians were more liberal and simple than the Turkish Mahomedans, and he had never experienced opposition or disconcertion from them. There were 400 Mahomedan boys and girls in the mission schools. The open converts from Mahomedanism were not many, but they included men like the young Kurd physician who always prayed in Christ's name before treating a case, and the Sheikh, with 25,000 Kurds under him, who had been baptized and who exercised a wonderful influence in his villages. He believed there were thousands of secret believers, only waiting for religious liberty. The Persian Constitution had come to stay, and religious liberty was probably not far off. One of the chief Mahomedan ecclesiastics had informed him that he and others believed religious liberty was according to God's will, and they were working for it, though they had to go carefully owing to the fanaticism of others. The mission, Dr. Cohen added, had about 4,000 children in 200 schools. The Rev. Dr. G. E. White, of Pontus, said that the American missionaries were wholly supported from America, the British contribution supporting native agents.

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Calendar of Coming Events

Calendar of Coming Events for Alexandria and Cairo. Lists dates and events such as Nourba Gardens, San Stefano Casino, and various concerts and sports.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Table showing weather report for Alexandria, including temperature, wind, and other observations.

OTHER STATIONS.

Table showing weather observations from other stations like Port Said, Suez, and others.

FOREIGN STATIONS.

Table showing weather observations from foreign stations like Trieste, Malta, and others.

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Table showing transmission times for telegrams from various locations to Alexandria or Cairo.

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BOURSE DU CAIRE

Le Caire, le 13 Juin 1907.

Table of market prices for various goods including bank shares, flour, and other commodities.

ARRIVAGES A MINIST-EL-DASSAL

Table listing arrivals from the month of June 1906, including quantities and prices for various goods.

COALS

Table of current prices for various types of coal, such as Cardiff, Newcastle, and others.

Direction Generale des DOUANES EGYPTIENNES

Table detailing customs duties and prices for various goods, including cotton and other exports.

GRAINES DE COTON

Table showing prices for cotton seeds from the Haute-Egypte region.

PRIMES DES CONTRATS

Table listing contract premiums for cotton and other goods.

Prix des sacs

Table showing prices for sacks of cotton and other materials.

Alexandria Water Company Limited.

Notice regarding the payment of dividends for the Alexandria Water Company Limited.

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Advertisement for Allen, Alderson & Co. Limited, sole and exclusive agents for various machinery and engineering services.

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Notice from the Alexandria Water Company Limited regarding a general assembly and share matters.

Administration des Chemins de Fer de l'Etat Egyptien

Notice from the Egyptian State Railways Administration regarding the sale of iron rails.

MUNICIPALITE D'ALEXANDRIE.

Notice from the Municipality of Alexandria regarding the construction of a road.

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